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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. August 20, 2018 - For the week ending August 19, 2018, there were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 23 percent very short, 34 short, 40 adequate, and 3 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 18 percent very short, 36 short, 43 adequate, and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Soybean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 15 poor, 29 fair, 48 good, and 6 excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 97 percent, ahead of 87 last year and 89 for the five-year average. Dropping leaves was 18 percent, ahead of 3 last year and 4 average.

Spring wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 16 fair, 72 good, and 10 excellent. Spring wheat mature was 94 percent, near 92 last year. Harvested was 59 percent, ahead of 50 last year, and well ahead of 37 average.

Durum wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 22 fair, 72 good, and 5 excellent. Durum wheat mature was 87 percent, ahead of 69 last year. Harvested was 35 percent.

Winter wheat harvested was 91 percent, ahead of 84 last year.

Corn condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 22 fair, 55 good, and 15 excellent. Corn dough was 84 percent, well ahead of 48 last year and 49 average. Dented was 29 percent, well ahead of 5 last year and 6 average. Mature was 1 percent.

Canola condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 69 good, and 4 excellent. Canola coloring was 96 percent, near 95 last year, and ahead of 88 average. Harvested was 27 percent, ahead of 15 last year and 14 average.

Sugarbeet condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 6 fair, 15 good, and 79 excellent. Sugarbeets harvested was 2 percent, equal to last year, and near 1 average.

Oats condition rated 2 percent very poor, 1 poor, 12 fair, 77 good, and 8 excellent. Oats mature was 93 percent, near 94 last year. Harvested was 67 percent, near 70 last year, but ahead of 51 average.

Barley harvested was 81 percent, ahead of 72 last year, and well ahead of 51 average.

Dry edible peas harvested was 83 percent, ahead of 74 last year, and well ahead of 58 average.

Sunflower condition rated 2 percent very poor, 3 poor, 27 fair, 63 good, and 5 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 98 percent, near 94 last year. Ray flowers dry was 37 percent, well ahead of 9 last year. Bracts turned yellow was 7 percent.

Flaxseed condition rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 25 fair, 70 good, and 4 excellent. Flaxseed coloring was 93 percent, ahead of 88 last year and 79 average. Harvested was 29 percent, ahead of 16 last year.

Potato condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 30 fair, 59 good, and 7 excellent. Potatoes vines dry was 17 percent, ahead of 12 last year.

Dry edible bean condition rated 2 percent very poor, 11 poor, 36 fair, 48 good, and 3 excellent. Dry edible beans dropping leaves was 61 percent, well ahead of 17 last year and 18 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 33 fair, 54 good, and 6 excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was 88 percent, near 84 last year, and ahead of 78 average.

Lentils harvested was 39 percent.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 36 fair, 40 good, and 2 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 24 short, 69 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency, NDSU Extension Service, and other reporters across the State.

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